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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated January 12, 2005, the claims of Group I (Claims 1-3 and 31) drawn to a method of diagnosing an allergic disease by measuring the expression level of NOR-1 receptor protein or the expression level of a gene encoding a NOR-1 receptor in eosinophil cells of a test subject are elected for prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions. Applicants do not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

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